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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Thomas Menzel resigned from his position as City Treasurer of Rolling Meadows on February 26, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Menzel came to the Chicago area in 1968 to teach at Prospect High School, after completing his college degree at Western Michigan University; he moved to Rolling Meadows in 1972; in 1974, he started his political career as a commissioner on the Salt Creek Rural Park District Board; Mr. Menzel went on to serve 19 years as alderman before winning election as Mayor by nearly a 2-1 margin in 1995; he was easily re-elected to a second 4-year term in 1999 and then appointed City Treasurer after leaving the Mayor's office in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Menzel started his business career in the public affairs department of Allstate Insurance Company in 1970; he held management positions with Xerox Learning Systems and McGraw Hill Training Systems and consulted with many other business organizations; he earned an MBA with honors from Lake Forest Graduate School of Management in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Menzel helped set the course for Rolling Meadows, from reshaping the economic development committee to making the city more business-friendly; and

WHEREAS, After serving Rolling Meadows for 30 years, Mr. Menzel is moving back to his hometown of Traverse City, Michigan, where he will assume the position of Executive Director of the National Cherry Festival; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate Thomas Menzel on the occasion of his resignation as City Treasurer of Rolling Meadows for his many years of service to the citizens of Rolling Meadows, and we

1 wish him success in his future endeavors; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to Thomas Menzel as an expression of our respect and
4 esteem.